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City fronts Nenshi tab

MUNICIPAL MATTERS

**Mayor says he
will pay back
\$300K legal fee**



Helen Pike
Metro | Calgary

The City of Calgary is floating Mayor Naheed Nenshi's legal fees in the now-settled Calvin Wenzel defamation suit — for now.

On Tuesday, city solicitor Glenda Cole, Q.C. informed councillors the city paid the nearly \$300,000 invoice according to council policy to indemnify members acting within the "scope of their duties," which Cole felt Nenshi was doing in this case.

In 2013, Wenzel filed a statement of claim alleging the mayor defamed him during the municipal election campaign in an "attempt to make him a political foil."

In December 2015, the mayor

and Wenzel came to a settlement, on the condition that details of the suit wouldn't be disclosed and both agreeing on a public apology.

In this case, Nenshi wants to pay the money back, and this has "always been his intent," according to a release from the mayor's office. But he isn't prepared to do so until there are rules about fundraising the amount set in place. "As a long-time advocate for campaign finance reform, transparency and accountability, the mayor would like to see rules in place prior to commencing fundraising," read the statement from the mayor's office.

In a letter to the city's new integrity commissioner, Nenshi outlines a plan to solicit funds to reimburse taxpayers. "Because I believe strongly in transparency in fundraising, I am therefore proposing these self-imposed guidelines for this case," Nenshi wrote.

Included in the guidelines is the formation of an independent fundraising committee.



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District 5 subject to most checks

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Police ask for ID there more often than any other district



Lucie Edwardson
Metro | Calgary

Residents living in District 5 were subject to up to 180 per cent more police check ups in 2015 than any other Calgary police district.

Information obtained by the Rocky Mountain Civil Liberties Association (RMCLA) in a Freedom of Information request shows that last year, 5,145 check-up slips were completed in District 5, compared to 1,837 in District 3.

The closest police district to District 5 was District 1 (downtown), which also has wide-ranging ethnic and economic diversity.

Kelly Ernst, president of RMCLA, said the report "Police Carding in Calgary: The Police Response to RMCLA's request" started because they wanted to gather information about carding in Calgary.

Despite what the report is called, police spokesperson Kevin Brookwell said carding



The Calgary Police Service says carding doesn't exist in the city and instead they write up 'check-up slips', which are used for them to legally gather evidence. METRO FILE

isn't an issue in the city and that RMCLA used the wrong term when describing their findings.

"What is really important is carding has never happened in Calgary and never will," he said. Brookwell added they do use a contact infor-

mation form (check-up slip) for police officers to execute their legally mandated and legislative authority to collect evidence.

According to Ernst, carding has been an issue elsewhere in Canada, and the point of their report was to find out

on what scale it was an issue in Calgary.

"We've had a couple people come forward and complain to us about being carded so we wanted to dig into it a bit," he said.

Brookwell explained what he said is the difference be-

tween carding — which has often been affiliated with racial profiling — and check-ups done by CPS.

He said carding is an Eastern Canadian term out of Toronto, where police ask people without ID to report to a police station to get some.



Carding has never happened in Calgary and never will.

Kevin Brookwell

Moving forward, they must produce that ID when asked.

According to the RMCLA's finding (which was information provided by CPS), the districts writing greater numbers of check-up slips are in the districts with high diversity and more low-income neighbourhoods.

Brookwell said as long as police are within their lawful authority, they can ask anyone for their ID — especially if they match a suspect description.

"Calgary is a very diverse community, and if you are going to a call and the description is of a male of a certain background, well, you are now looking for people matching that description," he said.

"Does it appear to be ethnic profiling, sure, but we're basing that on intelligence and it's part of your mandate when you're looking for a suspect to do that."

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Total number of police check ups in 2015

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District 5 had 7,100 check-up slips, compared to 2,852 in District 3

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A memorial has been set up at the Bowness intersection where Avayah Toulon was killed.

LUCIE EDWARDSON/METRO

Bowness street is an issue: Residents

ROAD SAFETY

Community calls for change after death of 4-year-old girl



Lucie
Edwardson
Metro | Calgary

Residents of the Bowness community where a four-year-old girl was hit by a truck and killed last week say they have been pushing for changes on that street for sometime.

Cathy Reitz, a member of the Bowness safety committee, lives two blocks down the street from the scene of the crash. She said speeding vehicles and poorly placed stop signs have been an issue in the past. The committee has asked for changes.

Four-year-old Avayah Toulon was hit Saturday at the intersection of 47 Avenue and 79 Street NW just after 8 p.m. Paramedics pronounced Avayah dead on scene citing traumatic head

injuries.

Police don't anticipate laying charges against the driver.

"In my opinion the stop signs are in the wrong spot," Reitz said. "The stop signs are there (corners of 79th) and the main amount of traffic is through here."

"What happens is the high school is just at the corner there and a lot of kids use this street and they just bolt and they don't stop — and I'm not saying it's just kids, but the traffic flow — so they're going, going, no stop signs, no stop signs and then they don't notice when there is one," she added.

While Metro was on scene three cars rolled through the posted stop signs and at least four vehicles went through the intersection in question at high rates of speed.

In a letter to Monika Dool, director of safety for the Bowness Community Association Board, Ward 1 Coun. Ward Sutherland said, "They have found no visibility issues or any other reason to change the intersection."

"It is natural at times like this to hear for heightened calls for speed bumps, more stop signs,



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Cathy Reitz

lighted pedestrian crosswalks, and more police patrols, but I think the real issue is that we have to focus on 'street-proofing' our kids again," he wrote.

Reitz said she's witnessed many kids — including the Toulon family's children — walking to and from school for years, and from what she can see they're all practising pedestrian safety.

"It just feels like more than one person has brought up these concerns and they're being brushed aside — we've brought it up as a speeding issue, a flow issue and it's still brushed aside," she said.

Reitz said she'd like to see the stop signs moved to the other corners of the intersection, or a four-way stop put in place.

ATHLETICS

Olympians talk fair play with students

Two medal-winning Olympians will be speaking with students at a Calgary elementary school today.

Catriona Le May Doan, three-time Olympic medalist in speed skating, and Duff Gibson, Olympic gold medalist in skeleton, will be talking to students at St. Henry Elementary School about respect in sport.

"Sport can be an incredible tool to bring people together," says Le May Doan, "but not if



Catriona Le May Doan
THE CANADIAN PRESS

participants don't understand the principles of sportsmanship and respect in sport."

The visit is part of a new initiative at the school around playing fair, having fun, and building positive student relationships through sport.

The talk, arranged by Sport Calgary, will help the Olympians reach many new Canadians as well as low-income students.

Earlier this year, Sport Calgary co-ordinated with a local service provider to outfit all students at St. Henry with ice skates. METRO



On Tuesday, parts of the Elbow River were flooded in a controlled release of water to prepare the Glenmore Reservoir for the months of May to June where flooding risk is high. HELEN PIKE/METRO

Controlled release of Elbow River

SAFETY

City gathers data for future flood response



Helen Pike
Metro | Calgary

The water might look high on the Elbow today, but it's only risen about one metre in a controlled release by the city of Calgary.

On Tuesday, the Glenmore Reservoir was opened up for a flow release of about 80 cubic metres per second down the Elbow River, closing some underpasses.

"It was very carefully selected, we looked at the 80 cubic metre per second, recognizing it is well below all of the triggers where we would expect impacts, other than some local pathways closures," said the City of Calgary's river engineer lead, Frank Frigo.

"Because there's the risk of having folks who are using the near river areas, under these conditions we were very careful about safety."

In the morning the city engaged other business units, including Calgary police and fire fighters, to patrol the affected areas and ensure Calgarians weren't taking unneeded risks near the quick-rushing water.

"We've had good compliance with our pathway closures and park closures," Frigo said. Frigo said other city staff took measurements and were able to gather pertinent data to refine flood-emergency response plans. The river is continuing to change even after the flood.

"Think of the river almost like a person whose character is formed by daily activities," Frigo said. "When a significant event like 2013 happens it's almost like a person being in a car crash, a major life event, that changes the stability of its

"We looked at the 80 cubic metre per second recognizing it is well below all of the triggers where we would expect impacts."

Frank Frigo

overall morphology.... We're still seeing adaptation to some of the processes that were initiated in 2013."

The city worked with the province and TransAlta to initiate a high stream flow advisory for the river. At the end of Tuesday conditions on the Elbow river will recede, move down the Bow River and all will be back to normal by Wednesday morning.

For more information visit calgary.ca/floodinfo.

SLED ISLAND MUSIC AND ARTS FESTIVAL

Full artists' lineup announced

The Sled Island Music and Arts Festival announced its full lineup of artists for the 10th annual event.

The artists will perform at more than 35 venues throughout Calgary from June 22-26.

Joining the festival's 2016 lineup are phenomenal producer Kaytranada, influential no wave act ESG, New England indie rockers Speedy Ortiz and psych-rock band The Besnard Lakes.

Guest curator Peaches announced more of her choices for the festival. Tropical club queen Maluca will play The Hifi Club on June 24. Lafawnduh will



Peaches is guest-curating the 2016 Sled Island Festival.
CONTRIBUTED

join Peaches at Flames Central on June 25. Producer Born in Flamez will give two performances during the festival.

For those who like heavier

music, acts will include Dead Cross, Valient Thorr, PEARS and Bell Witch.

The festival announced plans for its block party, which will be held in Inglewood at the intersection of 10th Avenue and 10th Street SE on June 23. Featured performers include Chris Lorenzo, HUMANS and Sinistarr.

Over 65 bands from Calgary will also play the festival this year, including Chuurch, Gawker, Numenorean, L.T. Leif, Sinzere Sings and The Synthetiques.

For the complete list of artists and ticket info, visit SledIsland.com. METRO



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POWER GRIDS

Energy plan to go ahead

The head of Alberta's power grid operator says he expects to finish a report before the end of the month on how to increase renewable energy investments in the province.

David Erickson, chief executive of the Alberta Electric System Operator, said Tuesday that the report will then be submitted to the provincial government, with details of the plan expected to be finalized in the third quarter.

That would give enough time to initiate the first round of bidding on various renewable energy projects by the end of the year, with the aim of having the new power sources coming online in 2019.

Erickson described the timeline as achievable.

Erickson said the renewable energy procurement process should generally follow the recommendations of the government-commissioned climate leadership report tabled last November, but that the AESO is still refining details on the issue after hearing from some 140 stakeholder groups.

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IN BRIEF

RCMP seek robber who used assault rifle

The Rocky Mountain House RCMP are still searching for a man who robbed the Leslieville Hotel on May 3.

A masked man armed with what witnesses described as a military-style assault rifle held up the waitress and fled with an undisclosed amount of cash around 10:30 that night.

The suspect is described as five foot 10 with an average build. METRO

Provincial regulations holding back u-brews

BREWING

Rental leases may also be an issue, says store owner



Brodie Thomas
Metro | Calgary

Brewing beer and wine at home is nothing new, but it's a hobby that is often out-of-reach for those living in an apartment or condo.

Other provinces such as B.C. and Ontario are now allowing for u-brews — retail outlets that sell brew supplies, but also provide space on site for brewing and bottling.

In Alberta, the trend has yet to catch on because provincial laws are holding retailers back.

"The legislation is specific and it has to be in an adult's residence," said Doug Symyrozum, owner of Grapes to Glass brewing supply store on 17 Avenue SW. "In a lot of the other provinces, it didn't get that specific. That's why B.C. and Ontario went with it, and Saskatchewan allows it."

In April, Calgary City Council voted to relax regulations on breweries, making it easier for smaller craft breweries to set up in the city.

Coun. Druh Farrell asked if this would also open the door for u-brews, but administration explained that would be a provincial matter.

Tatjana Laskovic, communication officer with the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission, confirmed the legislation does not allow for u-brews, but the matter could soon be under review.



Jeff Justason, an employee at Grapes to Glass brewing supply store, stands by some of the equipment brewers use to make their own wine and beer at home. Some provinces are now allowing brew stores to offer on-site brewing, but not Alberta. BRODIE THOMAS/METRO



This topic, along with many other issues, was planned to be considered as part of the broader liquor review, which is currently on hold. Tatjana Laskovic

"This topic, along with many other issues, was planned to be considered as part of the broader liquor review, which is currently on hold," she said.

She said the AGLC is waiting for government direction on the scope and timeline of that review.

Symyrozum said there may be another layer of regulation standing between his store and opening a u-brew — his rental lease.

"We've got the Regal Beagle Pub beside us — would my landlord allow us to sell alcohol in the same plaza? I don't know if he would or wouldn't,"

said Symyrozum.

He said many Calgary brew shops are also in strip malls of plazas that also have liquor selling establishments. He said leases may give one business exclusive rights to sell liquor.

Symyrozum said there would be costs involved with renovating his store if regulations changed, but he suspects he'd sell more product and need more support staff to help people brew.

"We would have to look at it because in provinces where it opened up, shops like this would very quickly go out of business."

CRIME

Police arrest 8 in 2015 shootings



Lucie Edwardson
Metro | Calgary

Eight men are facing charges following a Calgary Police Service Major Crimes Section investigation — linking some with multiple murder attempts in connection with a string of high-profile shootings that plagued the city's northeast last year.

Insp. Don Coleman said the men also face charges in connection with carrying out these shootings in association with a criminal organization, as well as selling drugs for the benefit of a criminal organization.

Coleman said between Jan. 2015 and May 2016, dozens of shootings occurred between groups of men connected to organized crime and drug trade. He said he hopes these arrests can reduce the risk to public safety.

"We're hoping that some people might take some security by the fact that there has been significant arrests made here and potentially come forward with information or looking for assistance to get out of the activity all together," he said.

Calgary saw 95 shootings in 2015, double that of 2014, with more than half related to organized crime. Fifteen of those shootings were deemed homicides.

Coleman said he hopes the bust sends a message to organized crime groups.

"The effect it should have on them is that there are consequences to this," he said.

"It might not be the next day but it will at some point."

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Mobile retailers get green light once again

PILOT PROJECT

Music, fashion buses allowed same permits as food trucks



Aaron Chatha
Metro | Calgary

The streets are alive with the sound of music — for the summer at least.

The City of Calgary has brought back permits for non-food truck mobile retail for a second pilot project.

This includes Kristin Poch's Beatnik Bus, a mobile record store that participated in the first pilot program last year.

Since the last pilot project ended in October 2015, Poch has been relegated to private events — but now is finally able to travel throughout the city, provided she stays within the same restrictions as the city's mobile food vendors.



Kristin Poch said she's incredibly thankful to be out in Calgary for a second year. Her bus can be tracked through @the_beatnikbus on Twitter. KENNETH APPLEBY/FOR METRO

"So, we still haven't created a bylaw, but we're able to be operate on the streets and be out with the food trucks," she said.

The second pilot project will end in November 2016, at which point the City of Calgary will sit down with mobile retailers and decide their next move. Poch hopes to use the summer

to prove not only is there a demand for mobile retailers in the city, but they can contribute to the liveliness of Calgary as well.

"We'll show up, play some tunes and bring a bit of atmosphere to the streets — really provide a lot of culture," she said.

The idea for a mobile record

store sparked from her father, an avid music collector who wanted to open a "funky" music store to sell his substantial collection.

Other mobile retailers will join Poch this summer as well, like Sublime Mobile Couture, a moderate- to high-end fashion truck.

POLITICS

Group wants more women on council



Brodie Thomas
Metro | Calgary

There are currently only two women serving on the Calgary city council, but Esmahan Razavi wants to increase that number in next year's election.

Razavi is one of four board members of a new group called Ask Her YYC, and their goal is to encourage and assist any woman running for council, regardless of political stripe.

"Studies show that women are less likely to enter into politics than men is because they don't receive as much encouragement and often they're not asked, even though they might be equally as capable as someone else in the room," she said.

Before the group can assist female candidates, they first have to get more women in the race. Razavi said they're asking Calgarians to approach women they feel would be good candidates and ask them to run.

The campaign seems to be

+ PARLIAMENT

MPs back bill to create financial incentive

A private member's bill was debated Tuesday in Ottawa that would create financial incentive for parties to run more female candidates.

The bill has support from members of all five parties currently sitting in the House of Commons.

working already.

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The technical name is Onychomycosis, which is the medical term for a nail infection caused by a fungus. There are many different species of fungus that can cause Onychomycosis. Once an infection develops, it can be difficult, if not impossible, to eliminate. Nails infected with fungus tend to grow slowly as the infection becomes embedded within the nail bed.

If you notice any of the following changes in your nails you may have nail fungus:

- Yellow or brown discolouration
- White or yellow streaks on the side of the nail
- Brittleness or thickening of the nail
- Change in the nail's shape
- Crumbling of the outside edges of the nail

- Debris trapped under the nail
- Loosening or lifting of the nail
- Loss of lustre and shine
- Toes or fingers that are painful, red, or drain pus

Nail fungus is unsightly and, left untreated, can result in loss of the nail. Traditional treatment involves antibiotic medications that take months to be effective and have been known to cause liver damage. To add insult to injury, these medications rarely get rid of the fungus. It almost always comes back.

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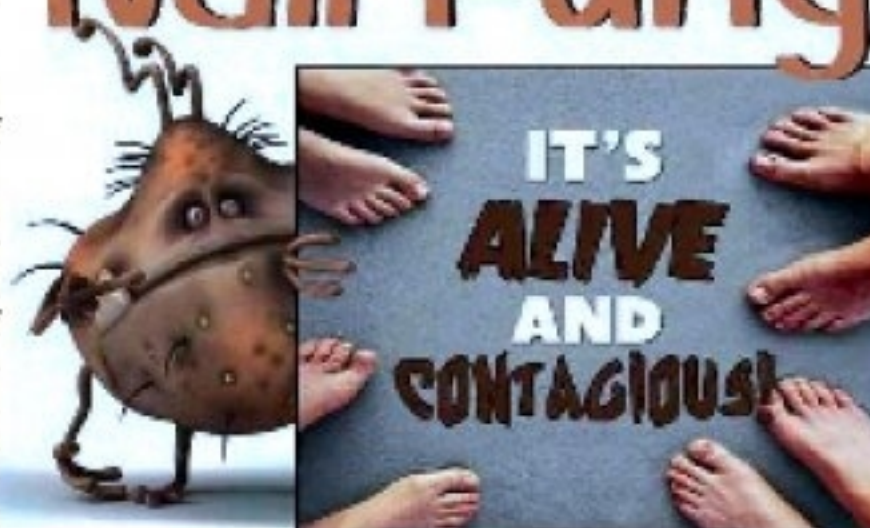
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Canadians roar to the rescue

GOODWILL

Dinosaur toys donated to boy who lost his collection in fire



Jeremy Simes
For Metro | Calgary

Jase Bos and Savvy, the toy T-Rex, have forged a new friendship after the Fort McMurray fire claimed all of the three-year-old's precious dinosaurs left at home.

On Sunday, Jase's mom, Meranda, learned her home was among more than 2,400 that were destroyed.

At the time, she didn't know how to tell Jase that all of his toys, including the prized dinos, were gone.

But Canadians across the country have since come to the rescue after reading her story in Metro and the Toronto Star, sending Jase new dinosaurs to play with, a blanket, action figures and a train set, among other items.

On Tuesday, Jase seemed thrilled about his new treasures, especially Savvy.

"Rawr!" Jase growled on the phone. "I like them."

Darlin Bonchek, who collected the toy dinosaurs in Oshawa for delivery to Jase, said she couldn't imagine telling her daughter that her toys were gone.

"To go home and nothing be there ... all he probably thinks about is his room and his things," she said. "So I



Jase Bos, left, plays with Savvy the T-Rex and his mom Meranda. COURTESY MERANDA BOS

just thought, 'What could we do?'

"The dinosaurs won't be his, but they're new ones. So hopefully that helps."

Meranda said she wasn't expecting such an outpouring of support.

"That was never my intention," she said. "I was think-

ing, 'We've lost stuff and we need to go forward.'

"I think it's just starting, actually."

Erin Berkvens, who lives in

Nova Scotia, said she plans to ship her toy haul to the Bos family on Wednesday.

She said reading Meranda's story hurt her heart.

“

I've been brought to tears by all of this support. It means so much and shows the country has really come together to help us out.

Meranda Bos

"I can only imagine what they're going through and telling Jase that everything is gone," Berkvens said. "It's all really devastating. But I think it would be pretty cool to have dinosaurs from around the world shipped to him."

She said she's also collecting money to purchase items online for the family, so they can be shipped easily to their address.

"We're all here for them."

Though Jase has been pretty excited since the toys were mailed in, he has now learned his home is gone, Meranda said.

"At what capacity he understands that at? I don't know," she said.

To celebrate his fourth birthday on Monday, West Edmonton Mall will provide a birthday room at no charge, Meranda added.

"I've just been brought to tears by all of this support," she said. "It means so much and shows the country has really come together to help us out."



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FRONT LINES

Calgary crews describe chaos, devastation, determination



Brodie Thomas
Metro | Calgary

When Capt. Danny Freeman heard on his radio that the Fort McMurray wildfires were moving into the downtown, he knew the crews on scene were not going to let the city down.

"There were seven spots (where fire was) coming across into downtown. We weren't going to lose downtown. No way. We stood shoulder to shoulder the whole way."

Freeman was one of the 29 members of the Calgary Fire Department who were deployed to Fort McMurray last week.

They had an eight-hour bus ride through the night, and at 7 a.m. they arrived, held a quick safety briefing and went to work.

With 34 years experience on the force, Freeman had seen a lot, including the fires at Slave



Calgary Fire Department members **Danny Freeman, Tom Caves and Travis Adams** were three of the first 29 to deploy to Fort McMurray. BRODIE THOMAS/METRO

Lake. But nothing prepared him for what he and other firefighters experienced fighting the blaze at Fort Mac.

"In 34 years, I've never seen devastation like that," he said. "It was just coming at you all the time."

While Freeman was on the ground, his colleague Capt. Tom Caves was helping orchestrate the many crews — sometimes with incompatible radios — on the ground.

"The information comes in so quickly and it's hard to process," Caves said. "You have to be organized before you deploy."

He said that, at times, they had to call in excavators to knock down homes or trees to prevent the fire from spreading.

He said they couldn't possibly fight every fire, something

"We've never, ever in my career left a fire that wasn't out. There, we had to."

Capt. Danny Freeman

echoed by Freeman.

"We've never, ever in my career left a fire that wasn't out," said Freeman. "There, we had to."

The crews didn't have access to fire hydrants, so maintaining water was a constant struggle.

The firefighters generally slept for a few hours in the early morning, when winds were the calmest.

"We were managing on three — four hours rest a night. We were cool with that. There were guys who didn't want to quit at all," said Freeman.

Both men said they could barely talk at times because of the smoke, which was as thick as fog. But when time came for a crew change, they weren't necessarily feeling relieved.

"The hardest thing we did — and we worked our tails off — was come home. We didn't want to leave," said Freeman.

HEALTH

Stomach bug hits evacuees

More than 100 Fort McMurray evacuees contracted a stomach bug on Monday after they arrived at evacuation camps in Edmonton and Calgary.

According to a release issued on Tuesday, Alberta Health Services (AHS) is responding to an increase in patients experiencing symptoms consistent with viral gastroenteritis at various evacuation centres across the province.

As of 4 p.m. Monday, the Edmonton Zone saw 105 cases of the bug, the Central Zone had nine cases and the Calgary Zone had four. AHS said the evacuation centres remain safe for all.

To reduce the risk of spreading the ailment, AHS is urging people to:

- Wash their hands thoroughly with soap and warm water before and after using the washroom; before and after eating or preparing food; and after changing diapers

- Use hand sanitizer provided
- Not prepare food for anyone, if they are ill

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Marshall loves belly rubs and beer – and was able to escape the Fort McMurray fires unscathed. SUBMITTED

EVACUEES

'You got people here getting stressed out'

Dave Cramm doesn't understand why he can't go home.

The 38-year-old welder said it appears his house in Fort McMurray's Timberlea neighbourhood was untouched by the wildfire last week.

He wants to check on his pet fish and grab some things.

About 90 per cent of the Alberta city's structures were saved, but Premier Rachel Notley has said it will be two weeks before residents will be given an idea when they can return.

Cramm is worried that if people are kept out of the city for too long, especially if they know their homes are undamaged, things could get tense.

"It's going to create hostility," said Cramm, who on Tuesday was smoking outside a reception centre in Lac La Biche, Alta., about a three-hour drive south of Fort McMurray. "You got people here getting stressed out."

Cramm said he tried to go back, but was turned away at a police barricade. He said he

won't try that again but wonders whether others will hold off.

Two wildfires in the Fort McMurray area had joined by Tuesday to form a single blaze covering about 2,300 square kilometres.

Kevin Lewis said he was anxious to return to his home in Thickwood, another neighbourhood that appears in good shape.

But he understands the rationale for keeping residents out for now.

"There's obviously power lines

down and I know the water is not drinkable right now. They have to reroute the gas lines .. from the areas that were affected the worst, so there's no chance of any leaks, so I understand the waiting game."

What he doesn't like is being in the "unknown zone." He said up-to-date information from authorities has been lacking.

"If there's no communication, that just opens up a big kettle of fish there. Now we can only speculate." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Every hog has his day

RESCUE

Julianna pig Marshall now a veteran of two evacuations



Helen Pike
Metro | Calgary

Move over Babe, it's Marshall's time to tell his tale.

On Monday, Alberta RCMP posted a photo of some rescued pets, and one looked familiar to Michelle Coutu.

She fled Fort McMurray's Waterways neighbourhood last minute and managed to pack her truck with dogs and family members – but didn't have time to load Marshall, her Julianna pig.

"He missed the boat this time," Coutu said.

"We had no notice that the fire was hitting Waterways and I was only able to let him out...we had to basically make a run for it. It broke my heart, I just had to open his pen and let him out."

It's Marshall's second evacuation: The last was three years ago in the Waterways flood.

"Last time...RCMP had to help load him into the back of the truck so he could be

evacuated," Coutu said. "He's not exactly very cooperative to load up into the truck. The last time it took us three RCMP officers, myself and he's over 100 pounds – not much for car rides."

This time, Marshall proved to be very resourceful. Unlike Babe, he might not be up for telling Coutu exactly what he got up to, but she's pretty sure he had his fair share of beer empties.

"I can just imagine what he was doing to the neighbours' yard and garden, helping himself to any empties of beer cans – he likes leftovers in beer cans," Coutu said. "He

can be pretty resourceful when he comes down to it."

Coutu said he was found pretty close to where she left him, on Draper road. And last

night his rescuers "wee wee wee'd" him all the way home, fed him and put him to bed.

He's headed to the Wood Buffalo Animal Shelter where arrangements for his return can be made.

"I was absolutely ecstatic that he was found," Coutu said. "The whole time my mind was racing about what had happened. I kept checking the area to see if it was part of the war zone, and praying he had the resources to keep himself happy and fit."

I can just imagine what he was doing to the neighbours' yard and garden.

Michelle Coutu, Marshall's owner

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Without tenant insurance, family left 'like newborns'

TRAGEDY

After escape, couple takes account of all that burned



Alex Boyd
Metro | Edmonton

Shaouki Bazzi fled Fort McMurray driving his taxi, his wife Izdihar Salloum beside him still wearing her Walmart uniform.

The flames were advancing so quickly there wasn't time to go to their Abasand home first.

They'd gone to work Tuesday morning, when reports suggested the fire was moving away from the city. But in a story now familiar, things changed — quickly.

Today, on top of losing their home to the fire, as so many have, the family have also lost their citizenship papers, pos-



Shaouki Bazzi and Izdihar Salloum at a friend's house in Edmonton where they're staying temporarily after fleeing the flames. KEVIN TUONG/METRO

sessions and thousands in cash. Worse yet, they're not insured.

"No job, no money, no house, we have nothing for tomorrow," Bazzi said in Edmonton Tuesday. "When I think about it,

I'm frozen."

With flames bearing down, their son raced home to grab their important papers, but the road was already closed.

The family had moved into

their rented townhouse six months previous, and hadn't yet bought tenant insurance.

Salloum planned to travel to see her sick mother in Lebanon and had withdrawn thousands

in cash that also burned.

Their kids were also affected. Their oldest son, an engineering student at the University of Alberta, lost his computer and textbooks.

After moving to Fort McMurray in 2009, the family had worked hard to build a life in the community they'd grown to love. But when police escorted their son to the remains of their house Tuesday, all he was able to recognize was the scorched furniture in the backyard.

Salloum said they're "like newborns" and will have to start over.

Their landlord, Rebekah Benoit, has started a Gofundme campaign to help her tenants, who she said need the help "desperately."

While she's never met them face-to-face, she said she knows them to be a great family.

"Gosh I feel for them, I really do want to help them," she said. "We weren't in the position to help them in the first place, and now we're even worse off."

OPERATIONS

Shell reopens oilsands mine

The first oilsands mine shut down by wildfires in the Fort McMurray region a week ago has been restarted and optimism is building that many of the largest operations will be producing again in a little as a few days.

Shell Canada said Tuesday morning that it had resumed production at its Albian Sands mining operations about 95 kilometres north of Fort McMurray after a seven-day closure.


The operations, which include the Muskeg River and Jackpine oilsands mines, have the capacity to produce 255,000 barrels of oil a day, but Shell would say only that they were initially operating at a reduced rate.

Meanwhile, in a news conference in Edmonton on Tuesday afternoon, Suncor Energy Inc. CEO Steve Williams said some oilsands operations north of the city could be up and running in a few days, while some south and east of the city where a fire still rages will take longer.

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Distress Centre, 211 calls on the rise

CRISIS

Majority of calls are from residents looking to help



Aaron Chatha
Metro | Calgary

The Calgary Distress Centre and 211 are seeing a rise in call volume due to the Fort McMurray fire — but the calls are not coming from evacuees.

They're mostly from Calgarians looking to offer help. "People are wondering where they can volunteer and give their time," said Chloe McBean, the crisis program supervisor. "As well, donations are a huge one."

The 211 line received 140 calls from May 4 to 8.

Other calls related to housing, registering as an evacuee, supplies and stipends have been fielded by the team.

"It's really awesome, the community is really pulling together at a time like this," McBean said.

The crisis line, meanwhile, has gotten 11 calls — a number McBean said will likely increase as time goes on. She



Whether it's a loved one or someone you're letting stay with you, there's going to be a lot of varying and extreme emotions, which is totally normal in times of disaster. Chloe McBean

recalled when the initial tragedy of the Calgary floods had passed and people began picking up their lives, it became very important for them

to reach out for support.

The Fort McMurray evacuees may experience something similar in the coming days and weeks.

"Whether it's a loved one or someone you're letting stay with you, there's going to be a lot of varying and extreme emotions, which is totally normal in times of disaster," McBean explained.

She said Calgarians should be there to offer or point evacuees in the direction of mental health resources.

To reach the Distress Centre Crisis Line, call 403-266-4357.



On Monday, RCMP ran into two horses near Fort McMurray's industrial sites after they were let loose from a site north of the city. TWITTER/ALBERTA RCMP

ANIMAL WELFARE

Freed horses found safe in back yards



Jeremy Simes
For Metro | Calgary

Horses Skip and Slicker escaped the Fort McMurray wildfires with only a few singed hairs, after more than 100 steeds were freed as owners couldn't take most of them in time to flee.

As flames encroached on Fort McMurray last week, horse owners moved their stock to the Tower Road site — northwest of the city — in case their barns located in southern Fort McMurray would burn down.

But as people fled town, horse owners were barred from entering Fort McMurray, so those already at Tower Road decided to free their ponies — it gave them the best chance at survival, said Charity Wiley with the Clear Water Horse Club.

"People were terrified," she said. "They're loved just like any other animal."

"Once they were let go, we hoped their wild instincts would kick in. Most of them did, thankfully."

On Monday, Alberta RCMP and animal rescuers retrieved

some of the horses in the city, finding some grazing happily in untarnished neighbourhoods and others trotting in a grocery store.

Karina Webb, who owns both Skip and Slicker, said rescuers found the horses at a pasture close to Tower Road, after her colleague set them free last Tuesday.

"We were hoping to have a trailer pick them up, but we had to tell them to let them go because we didn't have the trailer in time," Webb said. "It's heart breaking and the worry is insane, but I knew they had a better chance of being let loose in the bush than they did being let loose in town."

While RCMP assessed the rubble on Monday, officers found most of the barns at the Clear Water Horse Club had been destroyed.

Stacy Clough, whose barn was ravaged at the horse club, said she isn't sure what's next for the club, though people have shown an outpouring of support.

"It's seriously overwhelming: the amount of people that offered things," she said. "It's just been mind blowing."

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William Gadoury of St-Jean-de-Matha, Que., seen here in 2014 after winning a science fair for a project that discovered a correlation between Mayan cities and constellations. COURTESY QUEBEC EXPO-SCIENCES

Boy genius makes a stellar discovery

ARCHEOLOGY

Quebec teen uses the stars to track down ancient ruins

At the age of 13, William Gadoury discovered a correlation between 22 constellations and 117 ancient Mayan cities — a finding good enough to win him first prize at a science fair.

For a spectacular encore, he discovered a cluster of unexplained geometric forms hidden beneath the dense jungle growth in the Yucatan Peninsula that he suspects could be a lost and long-forgotten 118th Mayan ruin.

For this, the 15-year-old high-school student from St-Jean-de-Matha, Que., has landed himself on the world map.

Even before he takes his project, "Discovered from Space," to the Canada-wide science fair finals next week in Montreal, his work is travelling the world

based on the sheer improbability that a boy with a theory may have filled in a gap that legions of archeologists and experts in ancient Mayan civilization didn't even know existed.

Gadoury's fascination with the Mayan civilization began in 2012, the year that Mayans had predicted the end of the world.

But his quest that led to a 2014 science-fair project started with a question: Gadoury wanted to figure out why the Mayans built their cities inland when it

The Canadian Space Agency was able to help by accessing satellite images.

"We could actually see structures ... and we calculated the size of this by counting the number of pixels on the imagery," said Daniel De Lisle, who worked with the satellite imagery. "We could see that it fit the dimensions of a potential pyramid. So we could not see the pyramid per se, but the foundation is about the same size."

For now, though, Gadoury's



He's not someone who spends his time playing his Game Boy.

University of New Brunswick's Armand LaRocque

would have made much more sense to settle next to rivers and along the seashores.

That kicked off his first discovery, which was that there was a correlation between 117 known Mayan cities and 22 constellations. But where was the city that corresponded to the 23rd?

hypothesis remains an informed guess that will be confirmed or disproved only when archeologists can hike and hack their way through the jungle to the spot he has plotted on a map and given the name, K'aak Chi, or Mouth of Fire, according to the Journal de Montréal.

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HEALTH

Research on pets may lead to better treatments for cancer

Cujo romps around the room, seemingly unaware he is missing a front leg, before snuggling in for a caress and reaching up to bestow a canine kiss on his owner Valeria Martinez.

Being a dog, the nine-year-old Rottweiler is also unaware he is part of a series of cutting-edge studies that researchers at the Ontario Veterinary College in Guelph, Ont., hope might one day help humans with the same kind of cancer that led to his amputation.

"Good boy. Good boy, baby," Martinez coos as Cujo rolls on

his back, then rights himself to continue his three-legged perambulation around the visitors' room at the OVC's Mona Campbell Centre for Animal Cancer.

It was here that the canine had his right front leg surgically removed in December after a painful lump in the limb was diagnosed as osteosarcoma, the same type of bone cancer that affected Terry Fox and ended his Marathon of Hope when the malignancy recurred in his lungs. The 22-year-old died in June 1981.

Osteosarcoma in dogs is al-

most identical to the disease that occurs in teens and young adults, with a similar progression. But canines are 10 times more likely to develop the cancer than humans.

"We do chemotherapy similar to chemotherapy they use in people, and the idea is we're trying to delay or prevent recurrence of this metastatic disease," Woods explains.

As part of a multicentre trial headed by the U.S. National Institutes of Health, Guelph researchers are testing a drug called rapamycin, which they

hope might stop the bone cancer from recurring.

About 160 dogs will be included in the eight- to 12-month study being conducted by the NIH's Comparative Oncology Trials Consortium at about 20 U.S. sites along with Guelph.

All the animals will get standard care for their cancer, then half will be randomized to receive rapamycin. The drug is used to prevent organ rejection in transplant patients but is being repurposed as a potential anti-cancer medication.

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Dr. Paul Woods speaks with Valeria Martinez as he checks on Martinez's dog Cujo at the Animal Cancer Centre in Guelph, Ont., last month. HANNAH YOON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

IN BRIEF

Canada, U.S. no-fly redress group takes flight

The federal public-safety minister says Canada and the U.S. have set up a working group to help sort out errors of identity on no-fly lists.

Ralph Goodale says the bilateral Redress Working Group provides a way for officials to communicate. The moves follow reports of dozens of youngsters enduring airport delays because their names matched others on a security list.

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COURT

Ghomeshi's lawyer behind peace bond

An expected agreement that will see fired radio host Jian Ghomeshi apologize and sign a peace bond in exchange for the withdrawal of a sexual-assault charge against him was instigated by his lawyer, a source familiar with the proceedings said Tuesday.

The offer, expected to be formalized at a court hearing on Wednesday, became contingent on his admitting to misconduct against the complainant, a former CBC employee, and an ap-

propriately worded apology, the source said. The source insisted on anonymity given the sensitivity of the matter.

On Tuesday, the Ministry of the Attorney General announced the hearing would take place Wednesday in an Ontario court of justice before Judge Timothy Lipson. Ghomeshi, 48, had been expected to stand trial next month on a single charge of sexual assault related to an incident alleged to have occurred at the CBC in 2008. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Trump gets Nebraska boost

U.S. ELECTION

GOP bigwigs start to line up behind brash billionaire

Congressional Republicans returned to Capitol Hill Tuesday to confront an awkward new reality: Donald Trump is their presumptive presidential nominee. Instead of uniting behind him, leading figures like House Speaker Paul Ryan are withholding their support.

That highly unusual state of affairs creates a tricky situation for Republicans in the House and Senate, some of whom fear Trump could prove a drag on their own re-election chances in a year when the GOP is fighting to hang onto its slim Senate majority.

GOP Sen. Ted Cruz of Texas, Trump's leading opponent before he dropped out last week after a disappointing loss in Indiana, made clear Tuesday that he was in no hurry to endorse the mogul and reality TV star



Donald Trump speaks during an interview with The Associated Press in his office at Trump Tower on Tuesday in New York. MARY ALTAFFER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

who defeated him. "The voters in the primary seem to have made a choice and we'll see what happens as the months go forward," Cruz told conservative talk radio host Glenn Beck. That makes

Cruz the latest of Trump's onetime foes to refuse to take the traditional step of burying the hatchet and backing their party's standard-bearer once primary season is over.

Voters were casting ballots

Tuesday in West Virginia and Nebraska, and Cruz remained on the ballot. He went so far as to leave open the possibility of restarting his campaign if he should score a surprise win in Nebraska, while mak-

ing clear he doesn't anticipate that outcome.

"The reason we suspended the race last week is with Indiana's loss I didn't see a viable path to victory. If that changes we will certainly respond accordingly," Cruz said before boarding a flight to return to the Capitol, where Senate Republicans were warily awaiting the return of a colleague who's spent months denouncing them as the "Washington cartel."

On Thursday, Trump will meet on Capitol Hill with Ryan, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, who has offered his guarded support, and other GOP leaders in the House and Senate.

Ahead of the meeting, Ryan struck a conciliatory tone in interviews with home-state reporters Monday, while defending his stunning decision to refuse to back Trump.

Ryan denounced the idea of any Republican launching a third-party or independent candidacy to challenge Trump, telling the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel it "would be a disaster for our party."

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IN BRIEF

Border guards killed five refugees: Rights group

A rights advocacy group claimed Tuesday that Turkish border guards have in the past two months killed five Syrians who were trying to cross into Turkey. Human Rights Watch accused border guards of shooting and beating asylum-seekers and at least one smuggler. It said that five refugees — including a child — were killed and 14 others were wounded in March and April. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A contrasting view of Philippines' new leader

Rodrigo Duterte, the bombastic mayor of a southern city, was heralded as president-elect of the Philippines after a campaign that projected him as an emancipator as well as a looming dictator. Results from a semi-official count gave Duterte a large lead, thrusting him into national politics for the first time after 22 years as mayor of Davao and a prosecutor. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Germany stabbing suspect mentally unstable: Officials

A German man yelled "infidel, you must die" and "Allahu akbar" as he stabbed one person to death and wounded three others at a Bavarian train station Tuesday, but authorities said they've found no links to any Islamic extremist network.

The 27-year-old, who had previously been in psychiatric care, made a "rather confused impression" as he was questioned by investigators. His name wasn't released in line with German privacy laws, but authorities said he is a German citizen with a traditional German name. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MASSACHUSETTS

Three killed in stabbing attacks at mall, home

Two people were killed and two others wounded in stabbing attacks at a shopping mall and a home in Massachusetts on Tuesday before an off-duty law enforcement officer shot and killed the suspect, authorities said.

State police said a man stabbed two people at a Taunton home, then crashed a car through the front of a Macy's store at the Silver City Galleria and stabbed two other people at the mall. An off-duty law enforcement officer fatally shot the unidentified suspect. Witnesses described a chaotic scene and said that the mall was evacuated.

The stabbing victims were taken to area hospitals, where two later died from their injuries. It's unclear if the two dead victims were stabbed at the house or the mall. Their names were not immediately released.

Authorities said the suspect also may have been involved in an earlier car crash on the street where the first two stabbings took place.

A motive for the attacks remains under investigation, but state police said they have found no evidence of a connection to terrorism.

"There is no continuing threat to the public," said Dave

Procopio, a state police spokesman.

Justin Pizarro, 19, told The Boston Globe that he was working at a store in the mall at the time of the stabbings. He told the newspaper that a security guard told him to close the gate of his store.

Pizarro said he was "shaken up," but that "the security guards handled it pretty well."

Taunton is about 40 miles south of Boston.

Silver City Galleria is a regional mall offering 130 specialty stores, sit-down restaurants and a movie theatre.

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The suspect in attacks at Silver City Galleria mall is transported into an ambulance in Taunton, Mass., on Tuesday. CHARLES WINOKOOR/THE DAILY GAZETTE VIA THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Apple Pay launched Tuesday for CIBC & RBC clients. In the coming weeks — likely by June — BMO, TD and Scotiabank will add the service. CONTRIBUTED

Apple Pay coming to Canadian users

TECHNOLOGY

Digital wallet application's security rivals plastic cards

Apple Pay mobile payments will hit Canada in full force in the coming weeks, after the Cupertino, Calif.-based tech behemoth announced agreements Tuesday with the country's Big Five banks, as well as with debit and credit card companies.

Starting Tuesday, users of the newest iPhones who bank with CIBC and RBC will be able to use Apple's digital wallet for both credit and debit card payments. Customers with Canadian Tire financial services and Alberta-based ATB can also use it for credit payments.

In the coming weeks — likely by June — BMO, TD and Scotiabank will add the service for Mastercard, Visa and debit cards.

Apple Pay only works with the newest Apple devices, such as the iPhone 6, 6s and Apple Watches. It launched in the U.S. in fall 2014 and earlier this year in the U.K.

Apple Pay allows customers to hold their devices up to payment terminals in stores to pay.

It uses encrypted technology to store and send data, so is considered by some to be more secure than plastic cards.

Apple reached an agreement with payment processor Moneris for use with the 85 per cent of its terminals that are enabled with near-field communication technology.

Apple Pay also lets users make online payments to retailers on their iPads and iPhones, using apps.

It's still unclear whether the widespread launch of Apple Pay will be the universal payment method that

11%

Only 11 per cent of consumers said they would use Apple Pay at least weekly in a recent survey.

analysts believe will lead to widespread adoption of mobile payments.

But so far, mobile payments have yet to take off in Canada, even though it has wider adoption of contactless terminals than in the U.S.

Just 11 per cent of consumers said they would use Apple Pay at least weekly in a recent Accenture survey.

Further, only 25 per cent of Canadians will even have all the components in place to use digital wallets, according to a report by the banks released last July.

Apple Pay officially entered Canada in November, but it launched only with non-bank issued American Express cards, amid rumours that it could not reach agreement with the big banks over the fee it charges — said to be 15 cents for every \$100 in the U.S.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

BEER

Behold America — the can of suds formerly known as Bud

Come this barbecue season, Americans enjoying a beer by the grill will crack open some "America" — the beer that until now was known as Budweiser.

Anheuser-Busch said Tuesday that it would change the name on the label of its flagship beer from May 23 through the U.S. presidential election in November.

The temporary label change is part of Budweiser's summer "America is in Your Hands" campaign,

which according to a statement released Tuesday, "reminds people from sea to shining sea to embrace the optimism upon which the country was first built."

Commercials spotlighting the fresh design are set to appear in the U.S. starting June 1.

The silver-and-red cans will also feature famous phrases from American history, including the Pledge of Allegiance and lyrics from The Star Spangled Banner.

"We are embarking on what should be the most patriotic summer that this generation has ever seen,"

Budweiser has always strived to embody America in a bottle.

Ricardo Marques, vice president

with Copa America Centenario being held on U.S. soil for the first time, Team USA competing at the Rio 2016 Olympic and Paralympic Games," said Ricardo Marques, vice

president at Budweiser.

"We're honored to salute this great nation where our beer has been passionate-

ly brewed for the past 140 years."

The company is also preparing to release new cans and bottles featuring the torch of the Statue of Liberty

in celebration of the summer Olympics. This packaging line will be available in the U.S. from May 23 through mid-September.

But Canadians looking to get their hands on an ice-cold can of beer sporting the name of our southern neighbours are out of luck.

A representative from Labatt Breweries said the new "America" cans are not going to be released or available in Canada.

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The beer once known as Budweiser is getting a rebrand. CONTRIBUTED

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ROSEMARY WESTWOOD ON GHOMESHI AVOIDING TRIAL #2

Does this mean we're going to turn the courts into the principal's office where bad boys (mostly) go for a slap on the wrist? What are peace bonds if not the state equivalent of 'Say you're sorry, Tommy,' and, 'I've got my eye on you!'

Women have been lied to. We've been made fools of.

We are told that sexual assault is a crime, but it looks like it's a crime largely in name only, and Jian Ghomeshi has showed us how.

Ghomeshi will appear in court in Toronto today, reportedly to agree to a peace bond instead of enduring a second trial for one charge of sexual assault. After he was acquitted of sexual assault and choking charges in March — by a judge who issued a public scolding of the three witnesses along with a ruling — either the complainant or the Crown or both decided to indefinitely postpone round two.

And the result, a peace bond, strikes me as infuriating.

Peace bonds are basically an agreement to keep the peace and keep to good behaviour, and can include other conditions.

As part of that agreement, my colleagues at the Toronto Star report Ghomeshi might "express remorse over conduct" at the heart of this case during today's court appear-

ance (he allegedly thrust his crotch into a colleague's backside at work one day, while still the lauded host of CBC's Q). Does that mean we're going to turn the courts into the principal's office where bad boys (mostly) go for a slap on the wrist? What are peace bonds if not the state equivalent of "Say you're sorry, Tommy," and, "I've got my eye on you!"

Understanding that this is not a surprising outcome (0.2 per cent of sexual assaults end in convictions) should mitigate the anger. But it doesn't, because this scandal has been a walking tour through a house of lies, and I, for one, could never have expected how it would feel to come out the other side.

As it is written in the Criminal Code, Canada's sexual assault laws are "actually pretty good," law professor Brenda Cossman noted in a Chatelaine article in March. "There is an expansive definition of

consent or more specifically its absence, and the Supreme Court of Canada has insisted that consent be positive and ongoing."

But in reality, the crime of sexual assault turns out to be a kind of legal Russian doll with seemingly endless amendments added in its practical application, each nestled inside the last. The amendments dictate all kinds of requirements to prove a crime, spanning from the circumstances of the event to the complainant's behaviour. The high bar of being believed turns out to be almost insurmountable.

Just yesterday, I heard of a separate trial involving sexual assault that will not proceed, because the woman doesn't want to testify after watching Ghomeshi's first trial.

There is a crucial question here: What is to be done?

I believe the justice system can and must be improved. If we decide as a society

I believe the justice system can and must be improved.

that something is a crime, it deserves to be treated as a crime. To abandon all hope for criminal convictions in sexual assaults is far too fatalistic, especially since they do happen. (Linda Redgrave — the first witness in Ghomeshi's first trial — should be commended for her efforts to help other complainants navigate the legal system). And while I understand the efforts afoot to develop alternative options for survivors who don't want to go through trial, we can't afford to further water down sexual violence by giving up on aiming for convictions altogether. It's devalued enough as it is.

Farrah Khan, a counsellor and sexual violence activist, called this a moment of "mourning" for the idea that women are offered justice for sexual violence by the legal system. "We have a crisis in confidence," she said, echoing the general sentiment.

But we also have a new vantage point. And we have the women who went forward with charges to thank for that.



Do Canadians really care about animals?



Thomas Walkom

Canada's contradictory approach to animals was on vivid display this week.

In Fort McMurray, ordinary people risked their lives to save pets trapped in fire-threatened homes.

Meanwhile in Ottawa Monday, the other way we see animals was in evidence. That's when a Liberal backbencher's effort to toughen up animal cruelty laws ran into a Parliamentary buzz saw.

Toronto MP Nathaniel Erskine-Smith's private member's Bill C-246 is pretty mild stuff. Among other things, it would criminalize the "brutal and vicious" killing of animals without lawful excuse. Yet to some MPs it is the thin edge of a very large wedge.

Manitoba Conservative Robert Sopuck called Bill C-246 a Trojan horse designed to advance the agenda of animal rights extremists. Alberta Conservative Blaine Calkins mused that the bill might allow animal rights advocates to bring charges against those who don't properly groom pets.

Former Toronto police chief Bill Blair, now a Toronto Liberal MP, fretted that by criminalizing the brutal or vicious killing of animals, the bill could threaten what he called heritage activities.

Blair said it was premature to talk of amending animal cruelty laws in isolation and that any change should wait until a full overhaul of the entire criminal code takes place. Since he is parliamentary

secretary to Justice Minister Jody Wilson-Raybould, his remarks presumably reflect the position of Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's government.

The comments of Blair and his two Conservative colleagues also give a flavour of the other way in which Canadians see animals — as resources, like rocks or trees, which exist only to satisfy human wants. The woeful inadequacies of Canada's animal cruelty laws are well-known.

But whenever politicians attempt to strengthen the law to deal with such cases, they run into the same arguments.

Bill C-246 already exempts activities involving aboriginal rights. Erskine-Smith said he'd be willing to amend the bill to exempt other legal activities, such as hunting and fishing.

In an effort to touch on issues with popular appeal, Bill C-246 would also ban the import of shark fins from countries that don't follow Canadian standards. It would criminalize all aspects of animal fighting and ban the import of cat and dog fur.

The Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters has served notice that it will oppose the bill. It is already lobbying Liberal MPs.

At the best of times, private members' bills have a hard time getting through Parliament. If Blair's comments are any indication, the Liberal government has no interest in taking on this politically fraught issue. That leaves the rest of us.

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Tale of two tamarind drinks

This flavour typically found in tropical Asian cuisine adds a tangy kick to spring cocktails

This recipe pays homage to the best whiskey sour I've ever had, served at the Whiskey Soda Lounge in Portland, Oregon. The tamarind adds a slightly bitter and sour note, which plays well with the fresh lime juice. Cane sugar adds a sweet finish, and the bourbon punches through without overpowering the other flavors. It's dreamy.

This is the perfect drink to make when you're entertaining friends during the summer, and pairs especially well with spicy dishes.

Simple Tamarind Whiskey Sour

Serves 1. Total time: 5 min.

Ingredients:

- Orange peel + maraschino cherry, for garnish
- 1 Tbsp (15g) fresh tamarind concentrate (can be found online and in Asian grocery stores)
- 1 1/2 Tbsp (19g) organic cane sugar (or sub agave nectar or maple syrup)
- 1 ounce (2 Tbsp or 30ml) lime or lemon juice
- 1 1/2 ounces (44ml) bourbon whiskey
- Ice, for shaking + serving



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Directions:

1. Prepare a glass with one large ice cube (or 4-6 small ice cubes), orange peel, and cherry. Set aside.
2. In a cocktail shaker, muddle sugar, lime juice, and tamarind concentrate until well combined.
3. Add bourbon and a

generous handful of ice. Shake vigorously.

4. Pour over ice and serve.

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Fair warning: This cocktail goes down very smoothly. So to make sure that no one overdoes it, serve it in reasonably sized rocks glasses — not too big—and with generous amounts of ice. You want your guests to keep their focus on what's important: the game and the food!

Tamarind Margarita

Serves 10. Time: 10 to 15 min

Ingredients:

- 15 fluid ounces tequila
- 10 fluid ounces Triple Sec
- 2 fluid ounces Tamarind Paste (page 340)
- 20 fluid ounces fresh lime juice (from 20 to 30 limes)
- 4 fluid ounces fresh orange juice (from 1 to 2 oranges)
- 4 fluid ounces Simple Syrup (page 344)

Directions:

1. Pour the tequila, Triple Sec, and tamarind paste into a 2- to 3-quart bottle with a lid. Cover and shake well until the tamarind paste is dissolved. Pour in the lime juice, orange juice, and simple syrup. Shake



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until very well combined.

2. If you want to rim the glasses with orange salt, on a small plate, combine the salt with the grated orange zest and stir well with a fork. Have ready ten rocks glasses. Run a lime wedge around the rim of one of the glasses to moisten it and, holding the glass at an angle, roll the outer edge of the rim in the salt until fully

coated. Repeat with the remaining glasses.

3. Generously fill the rocks glasses with ice and pour over the tamarind margarita. Garnish each serving with a lime slice. Serve.

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Tom Brady's \$200 cookbook sells out

BIG SALES

QB says book a step toward achieving peak performance

It looks like a \$200 price tag couldn't keep Tom Brady's fans from gobbling up the Patriots quarterback's new cookbook.

The TB12 Nutrition Manual features 89 recipes and is described on the four-time Super Bowl champion's website as being printed on 100-pound text paper with covers made from natural wood that include laser etching.

Brady has posted a picture from the book on his Facebook page, calling it "another step toward achieving your peak performance." Recipes include avocado ice cream and carrot cake.

The book can be taken apart and expanded.

The description on the site says anyone who buys it will receive additional pages with



Tom Brady's TB12 Nutrition Manual features 89 recipes.

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new or modified recipes.

It's listed as sold out and a note says more may be available early next month.

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NUTRITION

Scientists unveil star gene in carrots



Scientists unveiled Monday the gene in carrots that gives rise to carotenoids, a critical source of Vitamin A and the pigment that turns some fruits and vegetables bright orange or red.

Unpoetically dubbed DCAR_032551, the star gene emerged from the first complete decoding of the carrot genome, published in the scientific journal Nature Genetics.

"Vitamin A deficiency is a global health challenge," the study pointed out.

"Its plentiful carotenoids make carrot an important source of provitamin A in the

human diet."

Carotenoids were first discovered in carrots (hence the name), but which among the vegetable's newly tallied 32,115 genes was most responsible for their formation remained a mystery.

Daucus carota (the Latin name) now joins a select club of about a dozen veggies — including the potato, cucumber, tomato and pepper — whose complete genomes have been sequenced.

Laying bare the humble carrot's genetic secrets will make it easier to enhance disease resistance and nutritive value in other species, the researchers said.

Having identified the mechanism controlling the accumulation of carotenoid, it may be possible — through gene-editing, for example — to import it to other staple root vegetables such as the cassava, native to South

American and widely grown in Africa.

"These results will facilitate biological discovery and crop improvement in carrots and other crops," said Philipp Simon, senior author and a professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Among vegetables, spinach and peas are widely associated with growing up strong, but it's hard to beat the carrot when it comes to health boosters.

Carrots are loaded with beta-carotene, a natural chemical that the body can transform into Vitamin A.

The deeper the orange colour, the more beta-carotene.

Vitamin A is essential for normal growth and development, the proper functioning of the immune system, and vision.

Carotenoids are also antioxidants, which are thought

to protect against heart disease and some forms of cancer by neutralizing so-called "free radicals", single oxygen atoms that can damage cells.

"Some of these compounds can prevent disease," Simon told AFP.

There are currently no genetically modified carrots on the international market. AFP

+ FAMILY TREE

Looking back at the carrot's family tree, scientists have been able to determine that it split with the grape about 113 million years ago and from the kiwi about 10 million years after that, when dinosaurs still lorded over the planet.

LIQUID ASSETS

Sedara Rosso perfect with seafood pasta

Having just spent time in Rome I can attest that The Eternal City has plenty to offer the hungry, especially the brilliant simplicity of its classic pasta-based dishes.

Funny thing is my favourite meal this trip was Sicilian, the theme of the restaurant next door — Sicilianbocca Trattoria — to the apartment I had rented in the Prati district.

Sadly Sicily's wines have struggled to find a following here in Canada.



You'd fall in love with its juice if you could pair it with a plate of pasta con le sarde (sardines and fennel over a bed of bucatini).

Donnafugata is one of the island's premier producers, with its 2013 Sedara Rosso (\$15.95-\$19.49), a rich, cherry-infused beauty made from a base of Sicily's top red grape Nero d'Avola.

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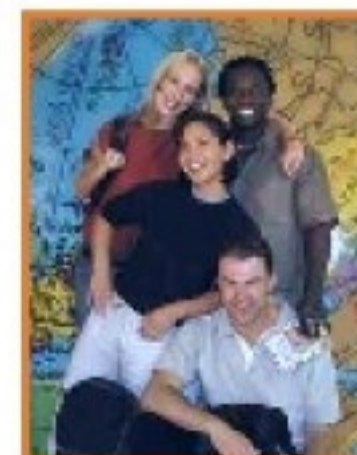
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Cannes adds massive security

FRANCE

Terror threats prompt organizers to take cautions

A smile on the face but also a cautious glance over the shoulder.

That's the game plan for the 2016 edition of the Cannes Film Festival, as it merrily but warily prepares for the Wednesday start of its 69th edition with unprecedented security protocols to prevent terror attacks against the many global movie stars expected here, among them George Clooney, Julia Roberts, Kristen Stewart, Juliette Binoche, Charlize Theron, Sean Penn and rocker Iggy Pop.

Recent terror assaults on Paris and Brussels have normally unflappable festival officials talking almost as much about security as about their celebrity guests and the 20 films — including the latest from Montreal's Xavier Dolan — that will compete for the coveted Palme d'Or, or Golden Palm, to be handed out along with other prizes at festi-



A general view of the Croisette ahead of the annual 69th Cannes Film Festival at the Palais des Festivals on May 10 in Cannes, France. MING YEUNG/GETTY IMAGES

val's end on May 22.

The opening-night world premiere is Woody Allen's *Café Society*, starring Stewart and Jesse Eisenberg, which will screen out of competition.

Festival president Pierre Lescure recently told a news conference that 500 highly trained security agents have been hired

to keep watch in and around the Palais des Festivals, the waterfront headquarters for this annual cinema event in this resort city on the French Riviera.

There are also 200 municipal police officers and 500 surveillance cameras throughout the city, and Cannes Mayor David Lisnard announced Monday

that there will be random police searches of people on the street throughout the festival.

The law enforcers certainly mean business and with good reason. Daesh, Al Qaeda and other terror groups have warned of plans to attack tourists on European beaches this summer.

The heightened security alert

extends to the Palais' famed red carpet, where security officials recently staged a dramatic dress rehearsal that was broadcast throughout France and viewed worldwide via the Internet.

As fake car bombs exploded and masked actors with machine guns "attacked" the Palais, security staff demonstrated

with unnerving realism how they'll protect the hundreds of Hollywood celebrities and other festival-goers expected over the next two weeks.

The Hollywood Reporter quotes an unnamed festival source predicting "drastic security measures" at the foot of the red carpet: "Only the stars associated with the official films will be taken to the bottom of the red carpet. The rest will have to be diverted to another road and walk."

It remains to be seen how this edict will play out in practice, since the roads around the Palais are jammed with stargazers and even getting around on foot is difficult.

The festival is fully aware of the chilling effect all this security talk could have on an event that is supposed to be a celebration of cinema.

To help improve the mood it is hosting a welcoming beach party Wednesday night for world press attendees and other guests, which the invitation describes as, "The perfect opportunity for festival-goers to mingle before heading for 12 days in darkened rooms."

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PLAYING HOUSE

Bonding with your TV gal pals

JOHANNA SCHNELLER
WHAT I'M WATCHING



THE SHOW: *Playing House*, Season 2, Episode 3 (Shomi)
THE MOMENT: The closing credits clips

Maggie (Lennon Parham) is directing her best friend Emma (Jessica St. Clair) in a play written by Emma's difficult mother Gwen (Jane Kaczmarek). We never see the play; we just see that it resolves and all is well. Then, over the closing credits, we finally hear snippets of Emma's character's dialog. Hilariously nonsensical, each builds in melodrama, until the last line: Someone says to her, "Your mother is dead," and she lets out an overlong, overloud scream.

This is the moment you hope for with a TV comedy: You sit on your couch, grinning madly at anything the characters do, because you now know and adore them so much that their mere existence cracks you up. Clearly, they added this bit simply because it tickled them, and that tickles you.

Parham and St. Clair (you'll recognize them from brief



Lennon Parham, left, and Jessica St. Clair star in the series *Playing House*. CONTRIBUTED

but memorable bits in *Veep* and *Bridesmaids*) are longtime friends in real life; they created and write *Playing House* together. The premise is that Emma has come home to the small Connecticut town where they grew up to help singlemom Maggie with her baby, but that hardly matters. It's just so much fun — a suburban, slightly older Broad City, with hijinks that Abbi and Ilana might be getting up to in ten years.

Also like *Broad City*, *Playing*

House's singular humour is wholly dependent on its actors' flawless delivery. And they embed many strong ideas about female friendship in their speedy cross-talk. If I ever met them I'd disgrace myself, because I feel so much crazy fan-girl love, I'm convinced we'd be besties forever.

Johanna Schneller is a media connoisseur who zeroes in on pop-culture moments. She appears Monday through Thursday.



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Pretty strong, for a truck its size



REVIEW

New Ridgeline has more conventional styling

Jil McIntosh
For Metro Canada



Can something that's based on an SUV, and that runs pri-

marily in front-wheel drive, be considered a real truck? Indeed it can, as Honda's Ridgeline proves.

All-new for 2017, and going on sale this summer starting at \$36,590, this second-generation model now features more conventional truck styling.

But it keeps a few of the old Ridgeline's best features, including a dual-action tailgate that can be opened conventionally or pulled open like a door, and a lockable trunk tucked in under a truck bed that's made of non-scratch composite so you don't have to add a liner. The size of the 3.5-litre V6 engine doesn't change, but the unit itself is new as well, with direct gasoline injection and a six-speed transmission, giving it more power with better fuel economy.

The suspension is also changed, tuned for a better ride and handling. The truck feels lighter and it's great to drive, with an overall SUV-style feel.

All models come with all-wheel drive that automatically distributes torque as needed from front to rear. While it's obviously not designed for rock crawling, it's surprisingly capable for many off-road duties. It also employs torque vectoring, switching power between the left and right rear



The spacious interior offers all kinds of storage space, including rear seats.

wheels, not just for extra traction when it's slippery, but also on curves. The truck corners smoothly and accurately, instead of understeering and plowing ahead. The Ridgeline can tow up to 5,000 pounds, and while I definitely knew I had a trailer back there, the front end stayed firmly planted for a confident ride.

The spacious interior offers all kinds of storage space, including rear seats that let you tuck a set of golf clubs under them, or fold up so cargo can be put on the floor. That said, the rear doors don't open as wide as on most other trucks.

I've always been fond of the Ridgeline. It's capable enough to handle most midsize-truck jobs, and against full-size trucks that have grown massively large, it's easy for shorter drivers like me to get in and out of it. I

It's definitely a truck, and a pretty good one at that, too.

THE CHECKLIST | 2017 HONDA RIDGELINE

THE BASICS

Type. Four-door, five-passenger mid-size pickup truck.
Engine (hp/torque). 3.5-litre V6 (280/262)

Transmission. Six-speed automatic

Price. \$36,590 - \$48,590

COOL FEATURES

- Adaptive cruise control
- Lane keeping and hill start assist
- Integrated bed lights
- Heated seats and steering wheel
- Seven-pin trailer connector
- Tire fill assist
- Standard review camera

POINTS

- The top-line trims have a waterproof, in-bed audio sys-



RIDGELINE PHOTOS JIL MCINTOSH/FOR METRO; ALL OTHERS CONTRIBUTED

tem that plays tunes through the truck's stereo.

- The side-opening tailgate mode makes it easier to reach cargo, since you don't have to stretch across the gate.
- The bed now has a cutline apart from the body, but the unibody construction under it is all one piece.

MARKET POSITION

The Ridgeline pulls a lot of buyers out of SUVs, who like its sport-utility driving experience but with the convenience of a truck box. It's also outfitted for leisure buyers, who'll have fun with it at cottages and campsites.

THE COMPETITION



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Toyota keeps the design with C-HR

TECHNOLOGY

Mercedes to debut new diesel engine family

Mercedes-Benz says it will premiere a new four-cylinder diesel engine in the E-Class E 220 d, marking the launch of a family of all-aluminum four cylinder engines that will be used throughout Mercedes' lineup. Mercedes believes internal combustion engines have a future alongside hybrid and electric powertrains in the move to more sustainable mobility, notes webmag Gizmag. The engine in the E 220 d will deliver combined city/highway fuel economy of 60 miles per U.S. gallon, it said, with carbon-dioxide emissions that are 13 per cent less than its predecessor.

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DEVELOPMENT

Apple still mum on vehicle reports

Apple has yet to admit that it's working on its own vehicle, but numerous third-party reports and the company's own actions — including poaching battery engineers from other companies and recent hiring of automotive engineers — suggest it's up to something along those lines. With products such as its iPhone, Apple engineers write the operating code and outsource its manufacture. Auto data Web site, The Car Connection, suggests an Apple-branded car could be available for sale as early as 2019.



DESIGN

Mini Toyota tall wagon remains "recognizable"

Toyota's entry into the fast-growing subcompact tall-wagon category debuted in production trim at the recent Geneva Motor Show in Switzerland. The Toyota C-HR retains much of the original design of the concept that heralded it, says auto info Web site Motor Authority. "The bulbous wheel wells, low roofline and boomerang-like lights are all recognizable." Rear door handles are obscured while blacked-out rear pillars help create a "floating roof" look. Sharing its platform with the new-generation Prius, the C-HR will have a hybrid powertrain option alongside conventional gasoline engines, making it Toyota's third hybrid tall wagon after the full-size Highlander Hybrid and compact RAV4 Hybrid. Originally planned to be sold wearing a Scion badge, it will now be a Toyota instead.

HIRING

Google seeks engineers for electric car project

Google's self-driving electric-car project is advertising dozens of jobs with a special focus on manufacturing expertise. Thirty-six jobs related to the Google X car project were advertised in mid-February, including for engineers working on motion control, displays, robotics and sensors, and managers charged with operations, materials and marketing, reported Reuters news service. Google, which declined comment on the postings, has said in the past that it has no interest in making cars and many observers expect the company will partner with an established automaker, supplying the software to pilot the fully autonomous vehicle. John Krafcik, who heads the program for Google, said in January he wanted to form partnerships with established automakers and suppliers to help accelerate the program.



+ PRICING TREND

EV sales surge expected as battery costs fall

Energy analysts believe that a surge in electric-car sales could be just around the corner, according to a report by Bloomberg New Energy Finance. Electric cars and plug-in hybrids could come to represent 35 per cent of new light-duty vehicle sales by 2040, it says. A major increase in sales beginning in the 2020s will be driven primarily by steady decreases in the cost of lithium-ion batteries. By 2040, the report indicates, electric-car sales could reach 41 million units globally, which is about 90 times the number sold in 2015. Those cars would save/not use 13 million barrels of crude oil per day. The decreasing cost of lithium-ion batteries will make electric cars cost-competitive with internal combustion ones, the report concluded.

Golf takes track record

GERMANY

Volkswagen obliterates Nürburgring lap time

It's yet to officially go on sale, but when it does, the 400 owners of the new anniversary edition Golf GTI Clubsport S will be taking delivery of a record breaker.

That's because the incredibly hot hatchback has just set an official lap time of seven minutes and 49.21 seconds around the world's most demanding circuit, the Nürburgring.

The time, confirmed on Wednesday, is a whole 1.4 seconds quicker than the existing record for a front-wheel-drive car, set by the Honda Civic Type R.

To wrestle the record from Honda, VW has had to build the most powerful production VW Golf in its history.

Thanks to a turbocharged two-litre engine that has been remapped and re-tuned and fitted with new exhausts, it

can deliver a remarkable 306 bhp. This means the car can rocket from rest to 100km/h in just 5.8 seconds.

Every conceivable way of saving weight and improving performance has been employed for the special edition. There's no air conditioning unit as standard, the infotainment screen is smaller and if you've got children, you're out of luck as the rear seats have been disposed of altogether.

However, these omissions mean that the car is incredibly agile and responsive, despite all that power going solely to the front half of the car. There's even a special Nürburgring setting on the drive selector that sharpens steering and stiffens the dampers specifically for the 22.8km circuit for owners that want to see if they can match the record.

But, as this car will be limited to just 400 individually numbered examples when it goes on sale, the chances are that the Clubsport S is destined for storage, rather than the circuit.

AFP



The Golf GTI Clubsport S lost air conditioning and rear seats to save weight and beat the Nürburgring record by 1.4 seconds. AFP

+ DRIVE BRIEFS

Carroll Shelby Tribute show to honour the Ford GT40

The fourth annual car show marking the life and times of one of America's true automotive and racing icons, Carroll Shelby, will celebrate 50 years of the car that won Le Mans.

The free, family-friendly event will open its doors to the public on May 21 at

Shelby American's headquarters in Gardena, California.

As well as the Ford GT40, this year's show will mark the 50th anniversary of the Shelby GT 350 and Shelby's partnership with Hertz, which led to members of the public being able to quite literally rent racing cars. AFP

BENTAYGA

Bentley app gives passengers control

Back-seat drivers rejoice, Bentley has developed an Apple Watch app especially for you.

The Bentley Bentayga Apple Watch App is uniquely for people who find themselves being transported in Bentley's flagship SUV.

The app uses Bluetooth to sync with the vehicle's various systems and once a connection is made lets users adjust

climate control and heating settings, reduce or increase the vigor of the seats' massage function and change the music on the infotainment system straight from their wrist.

However, Bentayga drivers beware, the app also allows users to monitor real-time information such as how fast the car is currently traveling. AFP



The Bentayga app lets users control the vehicle systems from the back seat. AFP

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Auto theft claims up 64 per cent

STOLEN VEHICLES

What's the cause of the increase, and how can you protect yourself?

Michelle Williams

Here's a sobering fact: In 2015, there were more than 4,000 stolen unrecovered vehicle (SURV) insurance claims made in Alberta — 64 per cent more than in 2014.

What's behind this jump in stolen unrecovered vehicles?

The spike is due to auto thieves who are part of sophisticated organized crime rings that steal purely for profit, explains Dan Service, director of investigative services (Western and Pacific region) for the Insurance Bureau of Canada and a former staff sergeant in charge of economic crime and auto theft for the Edmonton Police Service.

"These criminals are really good at cloning vehicles — giving them new vehicle identification numbers so they're essentially stealing the identity of another car," he says.

According to Service, many stolen vehicles go into shipping containers and end up in other parts of the world where they are in high de-

mand, countries like Spain, Jamaica, Ghana and China. "It adds up to about a hundred million dollars annually in Alberta alone," he says.

How do you protect your vehicle?

"You can't totally prevent the possibility of theft," Service says. "If a thief wants to take your car, he can do it in seconds. But there are things you can do to make sure your car isn't an easy target."

First, you should know which vehicles are the most popular among thieves. You can see the top 10 in the province at the Insurance Bureau of Canada's website, ibc.ca.

Next, consider where you're parking your vehicle. "If you park in the street or in a lot, choose a place that's well-lit," advises Service. And make sure that every time you leave your car, you lock it and roll up the windows.

"Leaving your car open is an invitation for thieves and gives them easy access to your vehicle."



There are things you can do to make sure your car isn't an easy target.

Dan Service, Insurance Bureau of Canada



Auto thieves are often part of sophisticated organized crime rings that steal purely for profit, experts say. ISTOCK

9 tips to protect your car from theft

Make your car a less likely target for thieves. Here are suggestions from auto crime expert Dan Service:

1. Don't leave your valuables in the car in plain view — this can make your car a more appealing target. Remove or hide valuables like phones, designer sunglasses and shopping bags before you leave your vehicle.
2. Tools like a wrench and screwdriver may be handy to have in your car but they can make it easier for a thief to steal the vehicle. If you keep tools in your car, keep them well hidden.
3. Never leave your car with the keys in the ignition, even if you're just running into your house for a few moments to grab something you forgot. It takes a thief only seconds to hop in and drive away.
4. Refrain from carrying a spare set of keys in your car — keep those on your person or at home.
5. Avoid leaving keys with parking-lot attendants and valets; it takes only a few seconds to make a wax imprint of your key. If you can give them a fob instead, that's safer. If you do have to leave your keys in parking lots or garages, don't give up all your keys. A thief can easily copy your house key and use it to break into your home.
6. Keep your vehicle registration and insurance papers on your person and not in your car. You don't want to give thieves access to these important documents.
7. Some car thieves break into homes to grab car keys and steal vehicles, so don't leave your keys in plain sight in your house.
8. If your car doesn't come with a security system, look into having one installed.
9. If your vehicle comes with a GPS tracking system, it may help with the recovery of your car should someone steal it.



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Sleeping under the stars for newbies

SUMMER FUN

Camping for the first time? We've got tips

Izabela Szydlo

There's just something about sleeping in a tent, surrounded by nature. But if you've never been camping, where do you start?

Rod Sterenberg is the blogger behind albertascampgrounds.

com. He says first-time campers should first know that typical campsites provide a space for your vehicle and sleeping unit (think tent or trailer), and an area surrounding the campfire ring with an adjacent picnic table. So, you won't exactly be roughing it. Sterenberg also recommends a first come, first serve campground during a period of good weather the first few times you camp.

"By choosing a first come first serve campground, campers can decide with short notice to go or

not to go depending on conditions. The better the weather, the better the camping experience will be," he says. "Also, choose a campground that is close to home just in case things go wrong, like the kids rebelling or leaving an important item behind."

Once you have packed and are ready to head out, Sterenberg says it's essential to keep camp safety in mind at all times. He says most campgrounds have a range of potentially dangerous situations that must be under-

stood by all campers.

"I'd say the number one safety tip is to animal-proof your campsite," says Sterenberg. "Garbage should be disposed of promptly, food and personal care products should be stored in your vehicle, and all warning signs should be read, understood and obeyed."

"The road leading to your campsite can be the most dangerous. Drivers often drive too quickly through the campgrounds and small children must not run into the roadway. Lastly, the area surrounding your campsite is full

waterways, slippery, muddy or uneven walkways, and insect nests within the brush to name just a few."

And, to make your campsite feel more like home, Sterenberg recommends skipping the traditional sleeping bags and opting for something a bit more familiar.

"My wife and I prefer to bring bedding from home rather than a sleeping bag," he says. "We find sleeping together under sheets and blankets keeps us warmer and, with them, sleeping in our tent feels like sleeping at home."



Choose a campground close to home just in case things go wrong. CONTRIBUTED

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Sandy McNabb Campground

Location: Bragg Creek (in Sheep River Provincial Park, 25 km west of Turner Valley along SH 546)

Open: April 29 – Oct. 11

Amenities: Fifteen amp hookup, basic camping, equestrian facilities and trails, fire pits, flush toilets, ground camping, picnic tables, playgrounds, public phones, water tap

Paddy's Flat Campground

Location: Kananaskis Country (20 km west of Bragg Creek, along Hwy 66)

Open: May 6 – Sept. 19

Amenities: Basic camping, boat launch, fire pits, fishing allowed, ground camping, hiking trail, playgrounds, water pump

IZABELA SZYDLO



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+ WHAT TO PACK FOR CAMPING

Besides the obvious tents, sleeping bags, an air mattress, cooking supplies and food, first aid supplies, clothing for inclement weather, bug spray, sunscreen and your other usual amenities, here's what Daniel Derksen of Campers Village has on his list of essentials.

"Depending on where

you're camping, front or backcountry, I would suggest a water filtration system, a rope and a stuff sack so you can hang your food away from your campsite to keep it out of animals' reach, bear spray and maybe a tarp, which can be used for first aid and as shelter," he says.

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Eugenie Bouchard won a matchup of former top-10 players Tuesday with a 6-4, 2-6, 6-3 win over Jelena Jankovic to start the Italian Open

CFL DRAFT

Riders bolster O-line at No. 1

Chris Jones picked up a huge insurance policy for quarterback Darian Durant on Tuesday night. The Saskatchewan Roughriders' new head coach/GM opened the CFL draft selecting Oklahoma offensive tackle Josiah St. John first overall. Landing the six-foot-six, 309-pound St. John is great news for Durant, who has suffered season-ending elbow and Achilles injuries the last two years.



I'm going to go in there with a hungry mentality and a chip on my shoulder.

Josiah St. John

Jones expects St. John to compete for a starting job immediately, something the Ajax, Ont., native is good with.

"I'm ready to be part of a team again ... and start working," St. John said. "There's obviously pressure being No. 1 but I'm not going to worry about it too much."

Calgary selected Montana State linebacker Alex Singleton at No. 6. The six-foot-two, 233-pound Singleton is a California native but has become a Canadian citizen.

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Drafting in the dark

A look at the goalies remaining in the NHL playoffs as of Tuesday and the positions in which they were taken in their respective drafts — if they were taken at all. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

NHL

Projecting goalie careers still a scouting conundrum

The Atlanta Thrashers liked a lot about Kari Lehtonen when they picked him second overall in 2002.

They liked his winning credentials in the Finnish league, loved his six-foot-four frame and judged him to be a quality goaltender.

Now playing (and often struggling) for the Dallas Stars, Lehtonen is one of the few goaltenders in recent history to have been picked in the first round. Goaltending is thought to be the most difficult projection to make at the draft, one NHL teams still haven't figured out.

Most of today's top goalies were plucked deep in the draft or missed entirely.

"If you don't have a goalie you can trust, you can't win," said David Conte, the former New Jersey Devils director of amateur scouting. "Getting a guy who can play doesn't mean squat. Getting a guy who can contribute means everything."

Conte was with the Devils when they selected Martin Brodeur 20th overall in 1990. Now the NHL's all-time leader in wins and shutouts, Brodeur wasn't the

slam-dunk goalie prospect that year. That was Trevor Kidd, who went 11th overall to Calgary.

Kidd had a respectable career, but nothing like Brodeur.

Did New Jersey know they had a future hall of famer on their hands? Hardly. The Devils also picked two other goalies, Mike Dunham and Corey Schwab, that same year.

Most of today's best were not high picks. This year's Vezina candidates were all picked outside the first round: Ben Bishop in the third, Jonathan Quick in the third and Braden Holtby in the fourth.

Quick and Bishop were the eighth and ninth goalies selected in 2005; four of the seven picked ahead played one game collectively in the NHL. The first two taken, Carey Price and Tuukka

Rask, are the last two Vezina winners. It had been 14 years since a first-rounder won the award before Rask, a 21st overall pick, won it in 2014.

Dan Marr, the NHL's director of central scouting, said projecting goaltenders is challenging for two primary reasons.

Draftees aged 17 or 18 have yet to fill out physically. Size is coveted, but it's essentially a guess at how much net the goalie will fill down the road.

Second, Marr said the position is difficult to master both technically and mentally.

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It's the experience that develops that mental toughness.

NHL director of central scouting Dan Marr

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AWARDS

Warriors' Curry 1st-ever unanimous MVP

Stephen Curry's desire to keep getting better while always striving to entertain at every stop on the schedule has the Golden State superstar being mentioned right along with the best ever, Michael Jordan and Magic Johnson.

And he just turned 28.

On Tuesday, Curry accomplished something those former stars never did: he is the first unanimous NBA MVP, earning the award for the



Stephen Curry
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second straight season after leading the defending champion Warriors to a record-setting season.

"I never really set out to change the game. I never thought that would happen in my career," Curry said. "What I wanted to do was be myself. ... I know it

inspires the next generation. You can work every day to get better."

Curry is the 11th player in league history to be voted MVP in consecutive seasons and the first guard to do so since Steve Nash in 2004-05 and 2005-06.

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Russell Westbrook goes to the rim against the Spurs on Tuesday night in San Antonio. ERIC GAY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Russ shocks San Antonio

NBA PLAYOFFS

Westbrook's monster game puts Spurs on edge of ouster

Russell Westbrook had 35 points, 11 rebounds and nine assists, and the Oklahoma City Thunder rallied in the fourth quarter to beat the San Antonio Spurs 95-91 on Tuesday night and take a 3-2 lead in the Western Conference semifinals.

Kevin Durant added 23 points as the Thunder won for the second time in San Antonio in the series. Oklahoma City can close out the series Thursday in Game 6 at home.

Westbrook sealed the victory with a three-point play with 6.3 seconds remaining, scoring after the Spurs weren't able to foul him intentionally and he drove for a layup while being fouled.

Kawhi Leonard finished with 26 points for San Antonio, which lost at home once in the regu-

TUESDAY Game 5



lar season and has dropped two straight there now.

The Thunder took a 92-90 lead with 54 seconds remaining on a pair of free throws by Durant after Spurs guard Danny Green fell into his legs when he appeared to be tripped by Steven Adams on an attempted screen.

Tony Parker missed the second of free throws to make it to 92-91. Parker also missed a 12-foot jumper.

Westbrook settled in after an erratic first half in which he committed six of the Thunder's 13 first-half turnovers. He only had two turnovers after half-time. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

IN BRIEF

Red Sox deep six A's
Mookie Betts, Hanley Ramirez and Travis Shaw each homered and the Boston Red Sox continued their strong hitting with a 13-5 victory over the Oakland Athletics on Tuesday night.

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United crack at West Ham
Manchester United's hopes of Champions League football took a hit on Tuesday in a 3-2 defeat at West Ham that followed an attack on the visiting team's bus as it arrived for the match.

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RECIPE Mini Turkey Meatloaves



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Cook time: 45

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- 1 glug of olive oil
- 1/3 cup onion, diced on the fine side
- 1/3 cup celery, diced small
- 1/3 cup carrot, peeled and diced small
- 1 tsp fennel seeds
- 1/2 cup of rolled oats
- 1 1/2 pound of ground turkey
- 1/4 cup ketchup
- 1 egg
- 1/4 cup Parmesan, grated
- 2 Tbsp ketchup
- 1 tsp Worcestershire sauce

Directions

1. Preheat the oven to 375 degrees. Warm up your olive oil in a pan over medium heat. Add your vegetables and the fennel seeds and allow them just start to soften, about 3 to 5 minutes. Remove from the heat and allow to cool a bit.

2. In a large mixing bowl, combine your meat, oats, ketchup, sauteed vegetables, cheese and egg. Mix with your clean hands or a fork. Now use a 1/3 cup measure to scoop up your mixture and put it into your muffin tin.

3. In a small bowl, mix together 2 Tbsp of ketchup and 1 tsp of Worcestershire sauce. Use a small spoon to smear this glaze over the top of your mini meatloaves. Pop them in the oven for 40 minutes. The internal temperature for meatloaf should be 160 to 165 degrees.

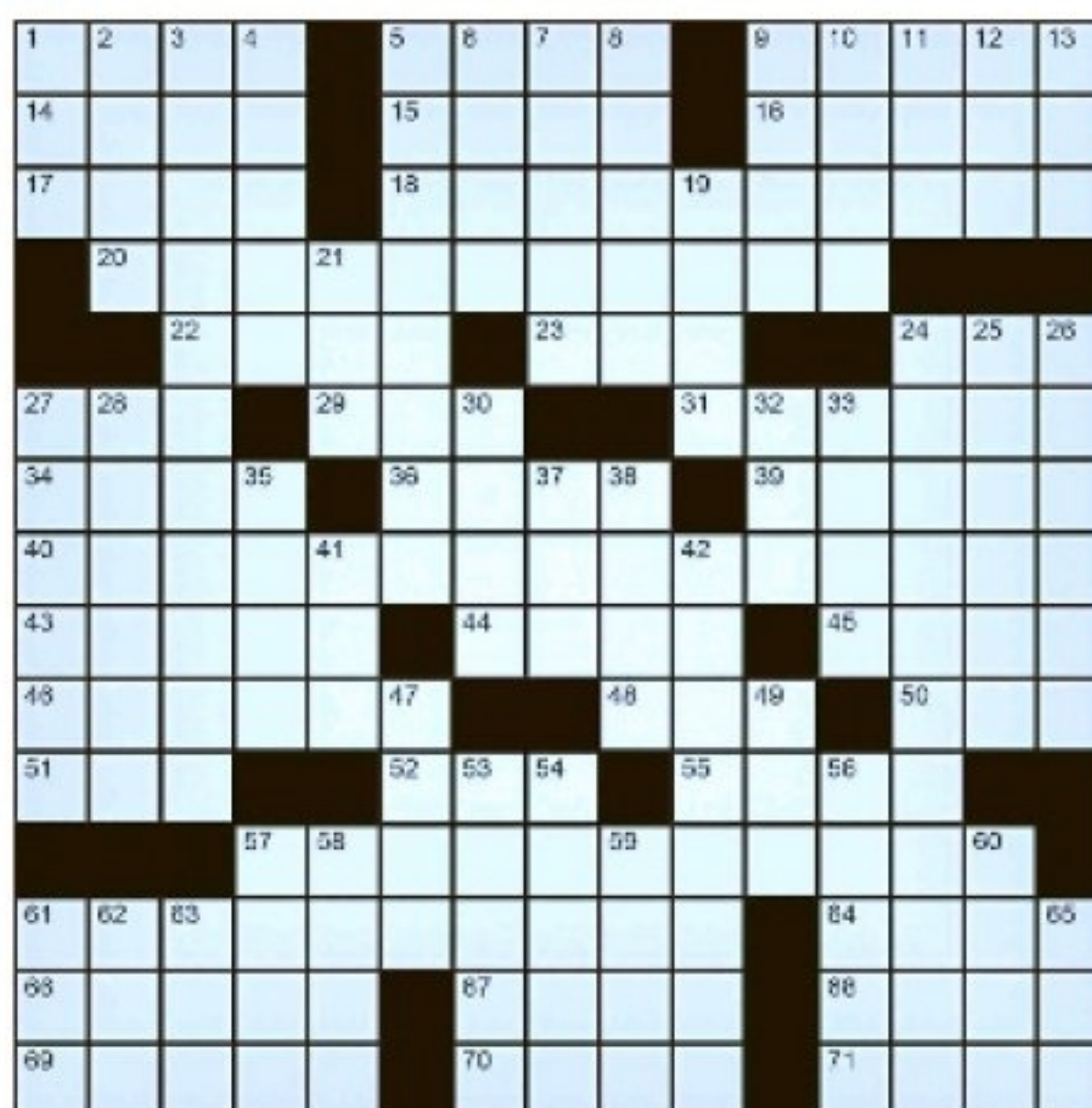
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5. Snorkeller's destination
9. Retreat in The Beach Boys song "Kokomo"
14. Collector's suffix
15. "Step ___ pets." (Furry friends palindromes)
16. Looked with bewilderment
17. The ___ (Hamilton expressway)
18. Revolvers
20. ___ Man
22. ___ chef
23. ___ culpa!
24. Luxe lieu
27. Manfred Mann's "Do ___ Diddy Diddy"
29. Marcel Marceau's clown
31. Sort of celebrity: 2 wds.
34. Actress Ms. Larter's
36. Objective
39. "___ my ticket!" (Lottery-winner's lament)
40. House feature where the breeze can be experienced without the bother of bugs: 2 wds.
43. Swiss Cheese characteristic
44. Ms. Amos
45. Pre-Johnny Carson host Jack
46. Levelled
48. Life span
50. The Mower to the ___ Worms (Andrew Marvell poem)
51. Actress Susan
52. Volcanic residue



55. "Take this..."
57. In 1875, she became the first female doctor licenced to practice medicine in Canada: 2 wds.
61. Hypersensitivity-reaction-causer like pollen or milk, to some
64. Encumbrance

66. Region's plant and animal life
67. Taj Mahal's site
68. Doggie name
69. Chasm
70. Hold back
71. Brood

DOWN

1. Suffer
2. Bathroom = Salle de ___
3. Canadian character in L.M. Montgomery stories: 2 wds.
4. Tropical bean tree
5. STOP, for one:

6. -ette cousin
7. Supply the weapons
8. Strength
9. Turkish title, variantly
10. Bitterly bellyache
11. Booming times
12. Reckon

13. Want ___ (Newspaper listings)
19. Talk
21. Stubby pencil
24. Rented space for household belongings: 2 wds.
25. French mathematician, Blaise ___ (b.1623 - d.1662)
26. 'Joint'-meaning prefix
27. Like the clothes ready for the dryer
28. Kitchen's cozy nook
30. Margaret Atwood, at times
32. Bigwig, briefly
33. Food-like food
35. Visible
37. ___ Annie (Character from the musical Oklahoma!)
38. Former currency in Italy
41. Storm centre
42. Brandy, pre-bedtime
47. "Darn!"
49. 'Pamphlet' suffix
53. Dishonest one
54. Door part
56. House toppers
57. Winnipeg hockey players
58. Historic times
59. W.B. Yeats' land
60. Slangy sassiness
61. Camel hair cloth
62. Ad-___ (Off-the-cuff)
63. "The Thin Man" (1934) starring Myrna ___
65. Scatter seed

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
Grin and bear it while you deal with late checks in the mail and delays with finances or possessions. On the upside, this is a good time to wrap up old business.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Retrograde Mercury in your sign brings people and situations from your past back into your world. It's deja vu all over again.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Because Mercury is your ruler, you feel the insanity of Mercury retrograde. That's why conversations are confused and you keep misplacing things. Aaghh!

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Old friends are back in your world. Consider this a blessing, because it's wonderful to have history with others (especially as you get older).

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
Some of you are in touch with parents or bosses you haven't seen for a while. A hot tip: If you're looking for a job, go back to where you worked or applied to before.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Travel plans might be frustrating because of mistakes and delays. However, this is an excellent time to finish a book, thesis or school paper.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
The stars will help you to wrap up old business with inheritances, taxes, debt and shared property. You will be surprised how easily this will flow.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Old friends are back in your life again, as well as ex-partners and ex-spouses. Consider this an opportunity for closure or swapping lies about the bad old days.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Delays, missed communications and silly errors will dog your steps at work now — there's no doubt about it. Just cope as best you can for the next few weeks.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Many of you are running into old flames. This can be exciting or unsettling, depending on how the relationship ended. Mostly, it's a bit freaky.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
This is an excellent time to make repairs to your home and finish projects you've had on the go. Family discussions will address old problems and probably solve them quickly.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
It's been maddening undergoing errors in your communication. Mixed-up messages, misunderstandings plus misplaced paperwork and delays are quite overwhelming!

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